

# Gambling Impact & Behavior Study

## Reliability Test Questionnaire

Case ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Respondent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Respondent Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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DATE	TIME	COMMENTS	DISP

## DEMOGRAPHICS

Good [morning/afternoon/evening]. My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm calling from the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. We are calling about the Gambling Impact & Behavior Study, which is sponsored by the National Gambling Impact Study Commission. We would like to ask you a few questions about your experiences with gambling; the interview shouldn't be more than 15 minutes and everything that you tell us is completely confidential. To compensate you for your time we'd like to send you a money order for \$10. If you're ready, I'll now ask the first question.

### A1

CODE WITHOUT ASKING QUESTION, UNLESS NOT OBVIOUS:

I am required to ask whether you are male or female. Are you...

- 1      Male
- 2      Female

### A2

How old are you?

\_\_\_\_\_

### A3

Are you of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or any other Spanish-speaking background?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

### A4

What best describes you? Are you . . .

- 1      Alaskan Native,
- 2      Native American,
- 3      Asian or Pacific Islander,
- 4      Black or African American,
- 5      White, or
- 6      another group?

(SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_)

## **GAMBLING BEHAVIOR**

### **INDIAN / TRIBAL MODULE**

#### **B3**

In the past year, since July 1997, have you gambled at an Indian or Tribal facility where players only played against one another for a common pot, such as bingo or card games like poker?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

#### **B4**

The second kind of Indian or Tribal facility has mechanical or electronic games of chance, such as slot machines, video poker, or video keno. It may also have blackjack, roulette, and other games, like bingo, keno, or poker. In the past year, since July 1997, have you gambled at an Indian or Tribal facility which has these kinds of games?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

## **GAMBLING BEHAVIOR**

### **U.S. CASINO MODULE**

#### **B6**

In the past year, since July 1997, have you ever gambled at a casino in the U.S., that is, a large gambling hall with many different kinds of games, for example the kind of casino that you might find on a riverboat or a resort hotel?

Do not include Indian or Tribal casinos.

- 1 YES
- 2 NO > **NEXT MODULE**

#### **B56**

In the past year, since July 1997, think about how often you gambled at a casino in the U.S., that is, a large gambling hall with many different kinds of games, for example the kind of casino that you might find on a riverboat or a resort hotel? Do not include Indian or Tribal casinos. Was it . . .

- 1 nearly every day,
- 2 less than daily but at least one day a week,
- 3 less than weekly but at least one day a month,
- 4 less than once a month but more than one day all year, or
- 5 only one day last year? > **NEXT MODULE**

#### **B63**

The last day that you gambled at a casino, did you budget beforehand a certain amount of money that was the most you were willing to lose?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO > **B68**

#### **B64**

How many dollars were the most you were willing to lose?

I've written down \$ \_\_\_\_\_, is that correct?

#### **B68**

On the last day that you gambled at a casino, did you come out ahead or behind on the money you gambled with?

- 1 AHEAD
- 2 BEHIND
- 3 BROKE EVEN > **B72**

## **GAMBLING BEHAVIOR**

### **B69**

How much did you come out [ahead/behind]?

I've written down \$ \_\_\_\_\_, is that correct?

### **B72**

Now please think about all of the times in the past year, since July 1997 that you gambled at a casino: During this year, did you come out ahead or behind on your gambling?

- 1     AHEAD
- 2     BEHIND
- 3     BROKE EVEN > **NEXT PAGE**

### **B73**

How much did you come out [ahead/behind]?

I've written down \$ \_\_\_\_\_, is that correct?

## **GAMBLING BEHAVIOR**

### **PARI-MUTUEL MODULE**

#### **B9**

In the past year, since July 1997, have you gambled at a race track, jai alai fronton, or an off-track pari-mutuel betting parlor? Please include playing slot machines, cards, and other types of games.

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

## **GAMBLING BEHAVIOR**

### **LOTTERY**

#### **B11**

In the past year, since July 1997, have you bought a lottery ticket for such games as Lotto, Powerball, dailies like pick-4, or instant and scratch-offs? Please include state-run lottery games only. INCLUDE MULTI-STATE

- 1 YES
- 2 NO > **NEXT MODULE**

#### **B93**

In the past year, since July 1997, think about how often you bought a lottery ticket such as Lotto, Powerball, a daily lottery ticket like pick-4, or an instant or scratch-off ticket. Was it . . .

- 1 nearly every day,
- 2 less than daily but at least one day a week,
- 3 less than weekly but at least one day a month,
- 4 less than once a month but more than one day all year, or
- 5 only one day last year? > **NEXT MODULE**

#### **B94**

How old were you the first time that you bought a lottery ticket?

\_\_\_\_\_ years old

#### **B104**

Since July 1997, did you buy any lottery tickets with other people in a ticket-buying pool?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

#### **B108**

What percent of the ticket price for lottery tickets do you think is returned to the ticket purchasers in the form of prize money? Do the ticket purchasers as a whole get back...

- 1 1 to 25 percent,
- 2 26 - 50 percent,
- 3 51 - 75 percent,
- 4 76 - 99 percent,
- 5 100 percent, or
- 6 more than 100 percent?

#### **B109**

## **GAMBLING BEHAVIOR**

Now please think about all of the lottery tickets you have bought in the past year, since July 1997: Did you come out ahead or behind on your lottery tickets?

- 1     AHEAD
- 2     BEHIND
- 3     BROKE EVEN > **NEXT PAGE**

### **B110**

How much did you come out [ahead/behind]?

I've written down \$ \_\_\_\_\_, is that correct?



## **GAMBLING BEHAVIOR**

### **CHARITABLE**

#### **B13**

In the past year, since July 1997, have you bet money on a game conducted for a charitable purpose, such as church bingo, raffles, or pull-tabs?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

### **STORE/BAR/REST**

#### **B19**

In the past year, since July 1997, have you gambled at a store, bar, restaurant, truck stop, or similar location that had only one or two kinds of games, such as slot machines, video poker, or pull-tabs? Please do not count locations that have only lottery tickets, bingo halls, or cardrooms.

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

### **UNLICENSED**

#### **B21**

Now I'd like to talk with you about types of gambling that are run like a business but probably without a license. Please do not include any of the kinds of gambling activities we've already discussed. In the past year, since July 1997, have you participated in a sports pool, placed a bet with a local bookmaker, bought a policy or played nonlicensed numbers games, or played in a nonlicensed casino or "blind pig"?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

## **GAMBLING DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT**

### **D1**

Now I would like to ask you about some very specific problems that people sometimes have said they have in relation to gambling. Please tell me whether any of the following descriptions of problems have ever applied to you.

Have there ever been periods lasting two weeks or longer when you spent a lot of time thinking about gambling experiences or planning out future gambling ventures or bets?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

### **D2**

Have there ever been periods lasting two weeks or longer when you spent a lot of time thinking about ways of getting money with which to gamble?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

### **D3**

Have there ever been periods lasting two weeks or longer when you needed to gamble with increasing amounts of money or with larger bets than before in order to get the same feeling of excitement?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

### **D4**

Have you ever tried to stop, cut down, or control your gambling?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO > **D8**

### **D5**

On one or more of the times when you tried to stop, cut down, or control your gambling, were you restless or irritable?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

## **GAMBLING DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT**

### **D6**

Have you ever tried but not succeeded in stopping, cutting down, or controlling your gambling?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO >D8

### **D7**

Has this happened three or more times?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

### **D8**

Have you ever gambled as a way to escape from personal problems?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

### **D9**

Have you ever gambled to relieve uncomfortable feelings such as guilt, anxiety, helplessness, or depression?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

### **D10**

Has there ever been a period lasting two weeks or longer when, if you lost money gambling one day, you would return another day to get even?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

### **D11**

Have you ever lied to family members, friends, or others about how much you gamble or how much money you lost on gambling?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

## **GAMBLING DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT**

### **D12**

Has this happened three or more times?

- 1     YES
- 2     NO

### **D13**

Have you ever written a bad check or taken money that didn't belong to you from family members or anyone else in order to pay for your gambling?

- 1     YES
- 2     NO

### **D14**

Has your gambling ever caused serious or repeated problems in your relationships with any of your family members or friends?

- 1     YES
- 2     NO

### **D16**

Has your gambling every caused you to lose a job, have trouble with your job, or miss out on an important job or career opportunity?

- 1     YES
- 2     NO

### **D17**

Have you ever needed to ask family members or anyone else to loan you money or otherwise bail you out of a desperate money situation that was largely caused by your gambling?

- 1     YES
- 2     NO

### **D18**

Did a family member ever loan you money or bail you out?

- 1     YES
- 2     NO

## **GAMBLING DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT**

**19**

Did you ever argue with a family member about your gambling to the point where it became emotionally harmful?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

**D20**

Did you ever argue with a family member about your gambling to the point where the argument became physical?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

Now I would like to ask you about whether any of the problems you have reported have occurred in the past year.

**IF D1 = YES, GO TO D21, ELSE GO TO D22**

**D21**

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have there been any periods lasting two weeks or longer when you spent a lot of time thinking about your gambling experiences or planning out future gambling ventures or bets?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

**IF D2 = YES, GO TO D22, ELSE GO TO D23**

**D22**

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have there been any periods lasting two weeks or longer when you spent a lot of time thinking about ways of getting money with which to gamble?

- 1      YES
- 2      NO

## GAMBLING DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT

IF D3 = YES, GO TO D23, ELSE GO TO D24

### D23

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have there been any periods lasting two weeks or longer when you needed to gamble with increasing amounts of money or with larger bets than before in order to get the same feeling of excitement?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

IF D4 = YES, GO TO D24, ELSE GO TO D25

### D24

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have you tried to stop, cut down, or control your gambling?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO > D28

IF D5 = YES, GO TO D25, ELSE GO TO D26

### D25

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, on one or more of the times when you tried to stop, cut down, or control your gambling, were you restless or irritable?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

### D26

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have you tried but not succeeded in stopping, cutting down, or controlling your gambling?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO > D28

### D27

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, has this happened three or more times?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

## GAMBLING DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT

IF D8 = YES, GO TO D28, ELSE GO TO D29

### D28

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have you gambled as a way to escape from personal problems?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

IF D9 = YES, GO TO D29, ELSE GO TO D30

### D29

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have you gambled to relieve uncomfortable feelings such as guilt, anxiety, helplessness, or depression?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

IF D10 = YES, GO TO D30, ELSE GO TO D31

### D30

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have there been any periods lasting two weeks or longer when, if you lost money gambling on one day, you would often return another day to get even?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

IF D11 = YES, GO TO D31, ELSE GO TO D32

### D31

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have you more than once lied to family members, friends, or others about how much you gamble or how much money you lost on gambling?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

## GAMBLING DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT

IF D13 = YES, GO TO D32, ELSE GO TO D33

### D32

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have you written a bad check or taken money that didn't belong to you from family members or anyone else in order to pay for your gambling?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

IF D14 = YES, GO TO D33, ELSE GO TO D34

### D33

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, has your gambling caused serious or repeated problems in your relationships with any of your family members or friends?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

IF D16 = YES, GO TO D35, ELSE GO TO D36

### D35

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, has your gambling ever caused you to lose a job, have trouble with your job, or miss out on an important job or career opportunity?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

IF D17 = YES, GO TO D36, ELSE GO TO NEXT PAGE

### D36

Since ^MONTH^ 1997, have you needed to ask family members or anyone else to loan you money or otherwise bail you out of a desperate money situation that was largely caused by your gambling?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO



## MENTAL HEALTH

Now I would like to ask you some questions about your physical and mental health.

### J4

Has there ever been a period of at least one week when you were so happy or excited that you got into trouble, or your family or friends worried about it, or a doctor said you were manic?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

### J7

Has there ever been a period of at least one week when you were so irritable that you threw or broke things, started arguments, shouted at people, or hit someone?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

### J23

In your lifetime, have you ever had two weeks or longer when nearly every day you felt sad, empty, or depressed for most of the day?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

### J24

In your lifetime, have you ever had 2 weeks or longer when you lost interest in most things like work, hobbies, and other things you usually enjoyed?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO > **CLOSING SCRIPT**

**That completes the questions we have for you today. Again, I'd like to thank you for taking the time to help us prepare for the national Gambling Impact and Behavior Study. If I can now get the address at which you would like us to mail your check, we'll get that sent out to you.**

Address

Apt #

City

State

Zip code

[VERIFY CORRECT ADDRESS]

Have a nice day.